

**MINUTES OF THE  
EXECUTIVE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

Thursday , February 1, 2018 • 6:10 p.m. • 445 State Capitol

**Members Present:**

Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson, Senate Chair  
Rep. Bradley G. Last, House Chair  
Sen. Kevin T. Van Tassell, Senate Vice Chair  
Rep. Mike Schultz, House Vice Chair  
Sen. J. Stuart Adams  
Sen. Gene Davis  
Sen. Luz Escamilla  
Sen. Jani Iwamoto  
Sen. Karen Mayne  
President Wayne L. Niederhauser  
Rep. Joel K. Briscoe  
Rep. Francis D. Gibson  
Rep. Sandra Hollins

Speaker Gregory H. Hughes

Rep. Brian S. King  
Rep. John Knotwell  
Rep. Angela Romero  
Rep. Brad R. Wilson

**Members Absent:**

Sen. Peter C. Knudson  
Sen. Ralph Okerlund

**Staff Present:**

Mr. Jonathan Ball, Director  
Mr. Steven M. Allred, Deputy Director  
Ms. Greta G. Rodebush, Administrative Assistant

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

**1 . Call to Order/Approval of Minutes**

Chair Jerry W. Stevenson called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Bradley G. Last moved to approve the minutes of January 25, 2018. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 8 .

Yeas-12

Sen. J. Adams  
Rep. J. Briscoe  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Rep. S. Hollins  
Rep. G. Hughes  
Sen. J. Iwamoto  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. B. Last  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Sen. K. Van Tassell  
Rep. B. Wilson

Nays-0

Absent-8

Sen. G. Davis  
Rep. F. Gibson  
Rep. B. King  
Sen. P. Knudson  
Sen. W. Niederhauser  
Sen. R. Okerlund  
Rep. A. Romero  
Rep. M. Schultz

**2 . Requests for Appropriation**

Sen. Ann Millner presented the request for appropriation for the Interstate Compact for Education.

**3 . Subcommittee Base Budget Reports**

a. Retirement and Independent Entities (Tab 8)

Sen. Brian Zehnder, Co-Chair, and Rep. LaVar Christensen, Co-Chair, presented the base budget report. Dr. Thomas Young, Senior Economist/Forecaster, provided assistance.

[3a-Retirement and Independent Entities Base Budget Report \(2018 GS\)](#)

b. Executive Appropriations Committee Agencies (Tab 10)

Mr. Steven Allred, Deputy Director, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst (LFA), presented the base budget report.

[3b-Executive Appropriations Committee Agencies Base Budget Report \(2018 GS\)](#)

c. Public Education (Tab 7)

This agenda item was not heard.

d. Business, Economic Development, and Labor (Tab 2)

Sen. Daniel Hemmert, Co-Chair, Rep. R. Curt Webb, Co-Chair, and Rep. Scott D. Sandall, House Vice Chair, presented the base budget report and responded to committee questions and comments. Dr. Andrea Wilko, Chief Economist, LFA, and Ms. Alysha Gardner, Staff Economist, LFA, provided assistance.

[3d-Business, Economic Development, and Labor Base Budget Report \(2018 GS\)](#)

Rep. Sandall provided additional information on the adjustment to the Manufacturer's Extension Program.

Rep. Webb recommended some changes to the request for appropriation (RFA) process. Chair Stevenson responded.

e. Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environmental Quality (Tab 6)

Sen. David P. Hinkins presented the base budget report and responded to questions. Mr. Ivan Djambov, Fiscal Analyst, LFA, and Mr. Alex Wilson, Fiscal Analyst, LFA, provided assistance.

[3e-Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Enviro. Qual. Base Budget Report \(2018 GS\)](#)

Sen. Hinkins discussed the memorandum, "Base Budget Modifications," on page 6-Memo of the report.

**4 . Other Business/Adjourn**

**MOTION:** Rep. Last moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 16 - 0 - 4 .

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Yeas-16

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Rep. B. Wilson

Nays-0

Absent-4

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Sen. P. Knudson  
Sen. R. Okerlund

Chair Stevenson adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.